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SUBJ: GOS INTEREST IN TRAINING SINGAPORE A-4 PILOTS IN
NEW ZEALAND

REF: SINGAPORE 2182

1. CHIEF OF DEFENSE STAFF WEBB AND DEFENSE SECRETARY ROBERTSON
IN COURSE RECENT DISCUSSION WITH ACTING DCM EMPHASIZED
CLOSE AND WELL-ESTABLISHED SECURITY TIES BETWEEN SINGAPORE
AND NEW ZEALAND. THEY SAID BOTH GOVERNMENTS HAVE CAREFULLY
NARTURED THESE TIES AND DO NOT EXPECT THEM TO BE DILUTED IN
ANY WAY BY EVENTUAL WITHDRAWAL OF NEW ZEALAND FORCES FROM
SINGAPORE.

2. IN FACT, WEBB AND ROBERTSON ANTICIPATED THAT THERE WOULD BE
GROWING NUMBER OF VARIOUS TYPES MILITARY EXCHANGES BETWEEN
SINGAPORE AND NZ AS TIME WENT ON, AND REFTEL REPORT SEEMS
TO BEAR THEM OUT.
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